



**CHURCH  
STRETTON  
SCHOOL**

**SOUTH SHROPSHIRE ACADEMY TRUST**

**PARENT TEACHERS  
ASSOCIATION**

**Minutes from PTA Meeting February 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**

1	Present:	Helen Howes – Chair Clare Burgoyne Ruth Lawrence Stephen Nockolds Cathy Thomas	Sam Scott - Treasurer Caroline Terrill – Secretary Sam Cole Helen Davis
2	Apologies:	Eileen Roberts End Bishop Sarah Henman Kym Krippin Lauren Slatter	Miv Mapps Deb Croom-Johnson Kate Harris Jayne Willis
3	Matters arising from previous minutes	No comments on the previous minutes.  There was an outstanding action from a previous meeting about getting some plaques made that could go on the table tennis tables when they are installed. <b>Action:</b> Caroline to follow-up on this.	
4	Upcoming events	There is an open evening for current Year 6 on 20 <sup>th</sup> June and it was decided to have a final planning meeting for the Mynd Drover outside library at 5:30pm so new parents could see the PTA in action.  Cathy would like a couple of PTA helpers at the National Theatre event at school on 28 <sup>th</sup> February. There is another national theatre event that the school might want help with. <b>Action:</b> Cathy will send through the date of the next event.	
5	Treasurer update	Sam informed the PTA that on 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2017 there was £5854.87 in the bank account. There was a discussion about an invoice that had been received from the school for printing costs. Cathy said that the school would cover the printing costs as the PTA provided such valuable support to the school.  Sam is still trying to sort out transferring money from the old HSBC account to Barclays. She will discuss with Clare Hammond. Sam has given Caroline the completed forms to be added as signatory to the bank account. <b>Action:</b> Caroline to take completed forms to Barclays.	
6	Funding requests	There had been a request for £650 to fund some additional dictionaries to support the children during their reading sessions at the start of each lesson in KS3. It was asked if the school could look to getting some dyslexic dictionaries. The cost was approved as it was beneficial to all children.  There had been a request to fund some additional events as part of Belief, Philosophy and Ethics. Although the PTA thought that this was an important part of the curriculum, it was not sustainable for every year and so was not available for the entire school. This request was refused.  Previously, the PTA had asked if there were bigger projects that they could fundraise for and Cathy confirmed that the school would really like a new lighter minibus. This would help with getting the children to sporting fixtures and other events and would reduce the cost of bus hire	

		<p>to the school. Cathy estimates it would cost approximately £20,000 but it could be done on a lease arrangement that meant the school owned the bus after 3 years. Everyone was in agreement in principle that this was a great item for fundraising, but would need the details before this was approved.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Cathy to provide further details of costs for minibus and it would be discussed at the next meeting.</p>
7	Craft fayre	<p>A request for a volunteer to be the coordinator of the craft fayre for 2017 has been successful. Lauren Slatter, a year 7 Mum has expressed an interest and has met with Ruth. Lauren wants support from the PTA, but is happy to take on the coordinator role.</p> <p>It was suggested that Sylvie could do the catering for the craft fayre rather than getting an external company. Action: Cathy to speak to Sylvie.</p>
8	Mynd Drover 2017	<p>Facebook page for the Mynd Drover was created and an online survey was completed after the event. This year an online entry system will be used to make the coordinating much easier. Adrian Holt is administering these and joined us briefly to demonstrate them and our page on the CSWF web site.</p> <p>As the Mynd Drover is part of the Church Stretton Walking Festival (CSWF) it had been suggested that it didn't need its own facebook page. However, the PTA disagreed with this and everyone felt, that like the craft fayre, this important PTA event benefitted from having its own facebook page.</p> <p>The next committee meeting for the CSWF is on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm in the Bucks Head. Stephen and Caroline would try to attend with Helen to discuss this further.</p> <p>Looking to have up to 400 entries this year at a cost of £22 as there is an administration cost for online entries. This will probably go up to £25 from 9<sup>th</sup> June</p>
9	Date of next meeting	Date of next meeting was suggested as Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April at 5:30pm at the school.